

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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### **International Authorizations Granted**

## Section 214 Applications (47 CFR §§ 63.18, 63.24); Section 310(b) Petitions (47 CFR § 1.5000)

The following applications have been granted pursuant to the Commission's processing procedures set forth in sections 63.12, 63.20 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 63.12, 63.20, other provisions of the Commission's rules, or procedures set forth in an earlier public notice listing the applications as accepted for filing.

Unless otherwise noted, these grants authorize the applicants: (1) to become a facilities-based international common carrier subject to 47 CFR §§ 63.21, 63.22; and/or (2) to become a resale-based international common carrier subject to 47 CFR §§ 63.21, 63.23; (3) to assign or transfer control of international section 214 authority in accordance with 47 CFR § 63.24; or (4) to exceed the foreign ownership benchmarks applicable to common carrier radio licensees under 47 U.S.C. § 310(b); see Subpart T of Part 1 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.5000-5004.

THIS PUBLIC NOTICE SERVES AS EACH NEWLY AUTHORIZED CARRIER'S SECTION 214 CERTIFICATE. It contains general and specific conditions, which are set forth below. Newly authorized carriers should carefully review the terms and conditions of their authorizations. Failure to comply with general or specific conditions of an authorization, or with other relevant Commission rules and policies, could result in fines and forfeitures.

Petitions for reconsideration under Section 1.106 or applications for review under Section 1.115 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.106, 1.115, in regard to the grant of any of these applications may be filed within thirty days of this public notice (see 47 CFR § 1.4(b)(2)).

ITC-214-20210812-00120 E

NetZero Wireless, Inc.

International Telecommunications Certificate

**Service(s):** Global or Limited Global Resale Service

Grant of Authority Date of Action: 10/22/2021

An application was filed for authority to provide resale service in accordance with section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.18(e)(2).

NetZero Wireless, Inc. is a direct wholly owned subsidiary of United Online, Inc., an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of B. Riley Financial Inc., each a U.S. company. B. Riley Financial Inc. is 21% owned by Bryant Riley, a U.S. citizen. Applicant states that no other entity or individual holds a 10% or greater interest in B. Riley Financial Inc.

ITC-214-20210901-00137

BITMOBILE LLC

International Telecommunications Certificate

Service(s): Global or Limited Global Facilities-Based Service, Global or Limited Global Resale Service

Grant of Authority Date of Action: 10/22/2021

An application was filed for authority to provide facilities-based service in accordance with section 63.18(e)(1) of the Commission's rules, and also to provide resale service in accordance with section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(1), (2).

BITMOBILE LLC is 100% owned by Ronald Lozano, a U.S. citizen.

ITC-ASG-20211012-00148 E Gridiron Fiber License LLC

Assignment

Grant of Authority Date of Action: 10/25/2021

Current Licensee: Lumos Networks Operating Company

FROM: Lumos Networks Operating Company

TO: Gridiron Fiber License LLC

A notification was filed on October 12, 2021, of the pro forma assignment of international section 214 authorization ITC-214-19970418-00215 (previous file number ITC-97-225), from Lumos Networks Operating Company (Lumos Networks OpCo) to Gridiron Fiber License, LLC, effective October 4, 2021. As part of a corporate reorganization, Lumos Network OpCo assigned its international section 214 authorization to Gridiron Fiber License. Lumos Networks OpCo and Gridiron Fiber License were both indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of MTN Infrastructure TopCo, LP., a Delaware limited partnership.

Pursuant to section 63.21(h) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.21(h), the following wholly owned subsidiaries of Gridiron Fiber License provide international service under authority of ITC-214-19970418-00215: Lumos Telephone, LLC and Lumos Telephone of Botetourt, LLC, both Virginia limited liability companies. As part of the corporate reorganization, both Lumos Telephone and Lumos Telephone of Botetourt converted from Virginia corporations to Virginia limited liability companies.

ITC-ASG-20211012-00149 E Panther Parent Inc.

Assignment

Grant of Authority Date of Action: 10/25/2021

Current Licensee: North State Telephone Company d/b/a North State Communications

FROM: North State Telephone Company d/b/a North State Communications

TO: Panther Parent Inc.

A notification was filed on October 12, 2021, of the pro forma assignment of international section 214 authorization ITC-214-19960703-00293 (previous file number ITC-96-367), from North State Telephone Company (North State Telephone) to Panther Parent, Inc. (Panther Parent), effective October 4, 2021. As part of a corporate reorganization North State Telephone assigned its international section 214 authorization to its direct 100% parent, Panther Parent, a Delaware corporation.

Pursuant to section 63.21(h) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.21(h), the following wholly owned subsidiaries of Panther Parent provide international service under authority of ITC-214-19960703-00293: North State Telephone, LLC, North State Communications Long Distance, LLC, North State Communications Advanced Services, LLC, and North State Communications, LLC, which are all North Carolina limited liability companies.

ITC-T/C-20210831-00127 E Nebraska Central Telecom Inc.

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority Date of Action: 10/22/2021

Current Licensee: Nebraska Central Telecom Inc.

**FROM:** NCTC Holdings, Inc. **TO:** Nedelco Incorporated

An application was filed for consent to transfer control of Nebraska Central Telecom, Inc. (NCTC), a Nebraska corporation which holds international section 214 authorization ITC-214-20070724-00289, from NCTC Holdings, Inc. (Holdings) to Nedelco Incorporated (Nedelco). Nedelco will acquire all of the outstanding shares of NCTC from Holdings. Upon consummation, NCTC will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Nedelco.

The following U.S. entities hold a 10% or greater interest in Nedelco, a Nebraska corporation: Nelson Investments, LLC (NIL) (30%); Madrona Investments, LLC (Madrona) (33%); and Canine Companions Charitable Properties, LLC (CCCP) (29%). John A. Nelson, a U.S. citizen, holds a 41.64% interest in NIL, a Nebraska limited liability company. Mr. Nelson also owns a 3% interest directly in Nedelco. James E. Nelson, a U.S. citizen, is the Manager of Madrona, a Washington limited liability company, and is authorized to vote Madrona's stock interest in Nedelco. Applicants state that the Nelson Family Irrevocable Trust (NFIT), a Washington Trust, holds a 79.75% interest in Madrona. The beneficiary of NFIT is Elizabeth Nelson Lui, a U.S. citizen. CCCP is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Canine Companions for Independence, Inc. (CCI), a California not-for-profit corporation.

This authorization is without prejudice to the Commission's action in any other related pending proceedings.

ITC-T/C-20210910-00134 E Combined Public Communications, LLC

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority Date of Action: 10/22/2021

Current Licensee: Combined Public Communications, LLC

FROM: CPC Engle Holdings, Inc.

TO: Combined Public Communications Employee Stock Ownership Trust

An application was filed for consent to transfer control of Combined Public Communications, LLC (Combined Public), a Delaware limited liability company which holds international section 214 authorization ITC-214-20101119-00450, from CPC Engle Holdings, Inc. (CPC Engle) to Combined Public Communications Employee Stock Ownership Trust (CPC ESOP Trust). Combined Public is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of CPC Holding Company, Inc. (CPC Holding). CPC Engle holds 95.5% voting and 88.3% equity interests in CPC Holding. Pursuant to a September 2, 2021, Agreement to Purchase Shares, the CPC ESOP Trust will purchase all shares of the common stock of CPC Holding from CPC Engle and the minority shareholders. The CPC ESOP Trust would thereby acquire indirect control of Combined Public.

The CPC ESOP Trust, a Kentucky trust, is beneficially owned by the eligible employees of Combined Public as participants in the Combined Public Communications Employee Stock Ownership Plan. Michael S. Miller, a U.S. citizen, is the trustee for the CPC ESOP Trust. No employee-participant of the CPC ESOP or any other entity or individual will hold a 10% or greater interest in Combined Public.

This authorization is without prejudice to the Commission's action in any other related pending proceedings.

ITC-T/C-20210913-00133 E GoldStar Communications, LLC

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority Date of Action: 10/22/2021

Current Licensee: GoldStar Communications, LLC FROM: THE NEW KNOXVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY

TO: Schurz Communications, Inc.

An application was filed for consent to transfer control of GoldStar Communications, LLC (GoldStar), an Ohio limited liability company which holds international section 214 authorization ITC-214-20210701-00104, from New Knoxville Telephone Company (NKTC) to Schurz Communications, Inc. (Schurz). NKTC currently holds a 98% interest in GoldStar. Pursuant to a July 30, 2021 Agreement & Plan of Merger, Schurz will acquire all of the interests in NKTC. Good River Broadband, Inc., a newly created wholly owned subsidiary of Schurz, will merge with NKTC with NKTC being the surviving entity. Immediately prior to closing, NKTC will acquire the 2% of GoldStar it does not currently own. Consequently, upon consummation NKTC and GoldStar will become direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of Schurz.

The Schurz Communications Voting Trust Agreement (Voting Trust), an irrevocable trust formed under the laws of Indiana, holds a 75.17% interest in Schurz, an Indiana corporation. The following beneficiaries of the Voting Trust, all U.S. citizens, hold a 10% or greater interest in the Voting Trust: Franklin D. Schurz, Jr. (28%); Kathryn F. Schurz (19%); Mary Ann Schurz (19%); Laura E. Ray (15%). Applicants state that no other entity or individual holds a direct or indirect 10% or greater equity or voting interest in Schurz.

This authorization is without prejudice to the Commission's action in any other related pending proceedings.

ITC-T/C-20211007-00145 E Lumos Networks Operating Company

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority Date of Action: 10/25/2021

Current Licensee: Lumos Networks Operating Company

FROM: Lumos Networks Operating Company

TO: Gridiron Fiber Corp

A notification was filed on October 7, 2021, of the pro forma transfer of control of Lumos Telephone of Botetourt, Inc. (Lumos Botetourt) from Lumos Networks Operating Company (Lumos OpCo) to Gridiron Fiber Corp., effective October 4, 2021. Lumos Botetourt, a Virginia corporation, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Lumos Networks OpCo which provides international service under the international section 214 authorization held by Lumos Networks OpCo, ITC-214-19970418-00215 (previous file number ITC-97-225), pursuant to section 63.21(h) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.21(h).

Prior to the transaction Lumos Botetourt, a Virginia corporation, and Lumos Networks OpCo, a Delaware corporation, were indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of MTN Infrastructure TopCo, LP. (TopCo), a Delaware limited partnership. In a corporate reorganization Lumos Networks OpCo transferred Lumos Botetourt to Gridiron Fiber Corp. which is an also indirect wholly owned subsidiary of TopCo. Lumos Botetourt is now a direct wholly owned subsidiary of Gridiron Fiber License, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, which is a direct wholly owned subsidiary of TopCo.

ITC-T/C-20211007-00146 E North State Telephone Company d/b/a North State Communications

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority Date of Action: 10/26/2021

Current Licensee: North State Telephone Company d/b/a North State Communications

**FROM:** Lumos Networks Corp. **TO:** Gridiron Fiber Corp

A notification was filed on October 7, 2021, of the pro forma transfer of control of North State Telephone Company (North State Telephone), a North Carolina company which holds international section 214 authorization ITC-214-19960703-00293 (previous file number ITC-96-367), from Lumos Networks Corp. to Gridiron Fiber Corp., effective October 4, 2021.

Prior to the transaction North State Telephone was a direct wholly owned subsidiary of Panther Parent, Inc. (Panther Parent), a Delaware corporation. Panther Parent was a direct wholly owned subsidiary of Lumos Networks Corp, which in turn was an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of MTN Infrastructure TopCo, LP. (TopCo), a Delaware limited partnership. In a corporate reorganization Panther Parent was transferred to Gridiron Fiber Corp., which is also an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of TopCo. Consequently, North State Telephone remains a direct wholly owned subsidiary of Panther Parent and is now an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Gridiron Fiber Corp., a Delaware corporation.

ITC-T/C-20211007-00152 P Lumos Networks Operating Company

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority Date of Action: 10/25/2021

Current Licensee: Lumos Networks Operating Company

FROM: Lumos Networks Operating Company

TO: Gridiron Fiber Corp

A notification was filed on October 7, 2021, of the pro forma transfer of control of Lumos Telephone, Inc. (Lumos Telephone) from Lumos Networks Operating Company (Lumos OpCo) to Gridiron Fiber Corp., effective October 4, 2021. Lumos Telephone, a Virginia corporation, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Lumos Networks Operating Company (Lumos Networks OpCo), which provides international service under the international section 214 authorization held by Lumos Networks OpCo, ITC-214-19970418-00215 (previous file number ITC-97-225), pursuant to section 63.21(h) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.21(h).

Prior to the transaction, Lumos Telephone, a Virginia corporation, and Lumos Networks OpCo, a Delaware corporation, were indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of MTN Infrastructure TopCo, LP. (TopCo), a Delaware limited partnership. In a corporate reorganization Lumos Networks OpCo transferred Lumos Telephone to Gridiron Fiber Corp. which is also an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of TopCo. Lumos Telephone is now a direct wholly owned subsidiary of Gridiron Fiber License, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, which is a direct wholly owned subsidiary of TopCo.

ITC-T/C-20211020-00151 E Combined Public Communications, LLC

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority Date of Action: 10/22/2021

Current Licensee: Combined Public Communications, LLC

**FROM:** CPC Engle Holdings, Inc. **TO:** CPC Engle Holdings, Inc.

A notification was filed on October 20, 2021, of the pro forma transfer of control of Combined Public Communications, LLC (Combined Public), a Delaware limited liability company which holds international section 214 authorization ITC-214-20101119-00450, effective October 7, 2021. Combined Public is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of CPC Holding Company, Inc. (CPC Holding). CPC Engle Holdings, Inc. (CPC Engle) holds 95.5% voting and 88.3% equity interests in CPC Holding.

Prior to the transaction, Cathleen Engle, a U.S. citizen, held 100% equity and voting interests in CPE Engle. As part of her estate planning, Ms. Engle transferred 98% of the equity interests in CPE Engle to the Engle Family 2021 Dynasty Trust (Engle Trust), a trust established under the laws of Kentucky. Ms. Engle retained her 100% voting interests and 2% equity interest in CPC Engle. Ms. Engle is the sole trustee and beneficiary of the Engle Trust.

## **INFORMATIVE**

ITC-214-19970815-00496

Cox Communications, Inc.

By letter filed October 19, 2021, Applicant notified the Commission that the following wholly-owned subsidiaries may provide international telecommunications service under the international section 214 authorization held by the applicant, pursuant to section 63.21(h) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 63.21(h): FiberNet of Ohio, LLC; FiberNet of Virginia, Inc.; FiberNet Telecommunications of Pennsylvania, LLC; LMK Communications, LLC; Lumos Networks Inc.; Lumos Networks LLC; Lumos Networks of West Virginia Inc.; and Lumos Networks Operating Company.

### CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO INTERNATIONAL SECTION 214 AUTHORIZATIONS

- (1) These authorizations are subject to the Exclusion List for International Section 214 Authorizations, which identifies restrictions on providing service to particular countries or using particular facilities. The most recent Exclusion List is at the end of this Public Notice. The list applies to all U.S. international carriers, including those that have previously received global or limited global Section 214 authority, whether by Public Notice or specific written order. Carriers are advised that the attached Exclusion List is subject to amendment at any time pursuant to the procedures set forth in Streamlining the International Section 214 Authorization Process and Tariff Requirements, IB Docket No. 95-118, 11 FCC Rcd 12884 (1996), para. 18. A copy of the current Exclusion List will be maintained in the FCC Reference and Information Center and will be available at http://transition.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/exclusionlist.html. It also will be attached to each Public Notice that grants international Section 214 authority.
- (2) The export of telecommunications services and related payments to countries that are subject to economic sanctions may be restricted. For information concerning current restrictions, call the Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of the Treasury, (202) 622-2520.
- (3) Carriers shall comply with the requirements of Section 63.11 of the Commission's rules, which requires notification by, and in certain circumstances prior notification by, U.S. carriers acquiring an affiliation with foreign carriers. A carrier that acquires an affiliation with a foreign carrier will be subject to possible reclassification as a dominant carrier on an affiliated route pursuant to the provisions of Section 63.10 of the rules.
- (4) A carrier may provide switched services over its authorized resold private lines in the circumstances specified in Section 63.23(d) of the rules, 47 CFR § 63.23(d).
- (5) Carriers shall comply with the "No Special Concessions" rule, Section 63.14, 47 CFR § 63.14.
- (6) Carriers regulated as dominant for the provision of a particular communications service on a particular route for any reason other than a foreign carrier affiliation under Section 63.10 of the rules shall file tariffs pursuant to Section 203 of the Communications Act, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 203, and Part 61 of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR Part 61. Carriers shall not otherwise file tariffs except as permitted by Section 61.19 of the rules, 47 C.F.R. § 61.19. Except as specified in Section 20.15 with respect to commercial mobile radio service providers, carriers regulated as non-dominant, as defined in Section 61.3, and providing detariffed international services pursuant to Section 61.19, must comply with all applicable public disclosure and maintenance of information requirements in Sections 42.10 and 42.11.
- (7) International facilities-based service providers must file and maintain a list of U.S.-international routes on which they have direct termination arrangements with a foreign carrier. 47 CFR § 63.22(h). A new international facilities-based service provider or one without existing direct termination arrangements must file its list within thirty (30) days of entering into a direct termination arrangement(s) with a foreign carrier(s). Thereafter, international facilities-based service providers must update their lists within thirty (30) days after adding a termination arrangement for a new foreign destination or discontinuing an arrangement with a previously listed destination. See Process For The Filing Of Routes On Which International Service Providers Have Direct Termination Arrangements With A Foreign Carrier, ITC-MSC-20181015-00182, Public Notice, 33 FCC Rcd 10008 (IB 2018).
- (8) Any U.S. Carrier that owned or leased bare capacity on a submarine cable between the United States and any foreign point must file a Circuit Capacity Report to provide information about the submarine cable capacity it holds. 47 CFR § 43.82(a)(2). See https://www.fcc.gov/circuit-capacity-data-us-international-submarine-cables.
- (9) Carriers should consult Section 63.19 of the rules when contemplating a discontinuance, reduction or impairment of
- (10) If any carrier is reselling service obtained pursuant to a contract with another carrier, the services obtained by contract shall be made generally available by the underlying carrier to similarly situated customers at the same terms, conditions and rates. 47 U.S.C. § 203.
- (11) To the extent the applicant is, or is affiliated with, an incumbent independent local exchange carrier, as those terms are defined in Section 64.1902 of the rules, it shall provide the authorized services in compliance with the requirements of Section 64.1903.

- (12) Except as otherwise ordered by the Commission, a carrier authorized here to provide facilities-based service that (i) is classified as dominant under Section 63.10 of the rules for the provision of such service on a particular route and (ii) is affiliated with a carrier that collects settlement payments for terminating U.S. international switched traffic at the foreign end of that route may not provide facilities-based switched service on that route unless the current rates the affiliate charges U.S. international carriers to terminate traffic are at or below the Commission's relevant benchmark adopted in International Settlement Rates, IB Docket No. 96-261, Report and Order, 12 FCC Rcd 19806 (1997). See also Report and Order on Reconsideration and Order Lifting Stay in IB Docket No. 96-261, FCC 99-124 (rel. June 11, 1999). For the purposes of this rule, "affiliated" and "foreign carrier" are defined in Section 63.09.
- (13) Carriers shall comply with the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act (CALEA), see 47 CFR §§ 1.20000 et seq.
- (14) Every carrier must designate an agent for service in the District of Columbia. See 47 U.S.C. § 413, 47 CFR §§ 1.47(h), 64.1195.

Exclusion List for International Section 214 Authorizations

The following is a list of countries and facilities not covered by grant of global Section 214 authority under Section 63.18(e)(1) of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR § 63.18(e)(1). Carriers desiring to serve countries or use facilities listed as excluded hereon shall file a separate Section 214 application pursuant to Section 63.18(e)(3) of the Commission's Rules. See 47 CFR § 63.22(c).

Countrie	s:

Facilities:

None.

Any non-U.S.-licensed space station that has not received Commission approval to operate in the U.S. market pursuant to the procedures adopted in the Commission's DISCO II Order, IB Docket No. 96-111, Report and Order, FCC 97-399, 12 FCC Rcd 24094, 24107-72 paragraphs 30-182 (1997) (DISCO II Order). Information regarding non-U.S.-licensed space stations approved to operate in the U.S. market pursuant to the Commission's DISCO II procedures is maintained at https://www.fcc.gov/approved-space-station-list.

This list is subject to change by the Commission when the public interest requires. The most current version of the list is maintained at https://www.fcc.gov/exclusion-list-international-section-214-authorizations.

For additional information, contact the International Bureau's Telecommunications and Analysis Division, (202) 418-1480.